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ABC REVOKES LICENSE OF AZUSA BAR

Azusa -Investigators from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) and Police Officers from the City of Azusa have posted a license revocation notice at Semag & Strops, a bar located at 621 East Arrow Highway in Azusa.

The action was taken because of multiple drug sales on the premises and other violations of the law.

The license revocation will take effect immediately and no new license can be issued for this location for a period of one year. The ABC must approve any new license. ABC Director Jerry Jolly said, "By revoking this license, it will help the City of Azusa cut down on alcohol and drug-related crimes in this neighborhood."

ABC Investigators and Azusa Police conducted a three month investigation. During that period ABC undercover investigators made seven purchases of methamphetamines from three different suspects. Six of those buys were facilitated through an on-duty bartender at the premises.

The ABC received numerous complaints about Semag and Strops from the Azusa Police Department. Complaints included reports of fights, drug dealing, and overly intoxicated individuals. The Azusa Police Department helped the ABC throughout the course of the investigation.

For more information contact the ABC El Monte District Office at (626) 927-1060.